

CLAIMS

1. An iontophoresis device activated in use comprising:
an absorber formed of a material containing a dry drug and
5 capable of absorbing a liquid; a wall material disposed around
said absorber and having an adhesive layer on the undersurface
thereof; a support disposed on said absorber and said wall
material , having an opening in the central portion thereof;
an electrode disposed on the undersurface of said support;
10 a diaphragm disposed on said support; and a dissolution liquid
reservoir disposed on said diaphragm, retaining a dissolution
liquid for dissolving said drug between said diaphragm and
itself, and having a protruding portion for destroying said
diaphragm by pressing force.

15 2. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
to claim 1, further comprising a solution permeable film on
the undersurface of said absorber.

3. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
to claim 1, further comprising a liner on the undersurface
20 of both said absorber and said adhesive layer, wherein said
liner has a concave portion opposed to said absorber.

4. An iontophoresis device activated in use comprising:
a drug-containing layer containing a dry drug; an absorber
disposed on said drug-containing layer and formed of a material
25 capable of absorbing a liquid; a wall material disposed around
said absorber, having an adhesive layer on the undersurface
thereof; a support disposed on said absorber and said wall

material, having an opening in the central portion thereof;
an electrode disposed on the undersurface of said support;
a diaphragm disposed on said support; and a dissolution liquid
reservoir disposed on said diaphragm, retaining a dissolution
5 liquid for dissolving said drug between said diaphragm and
itself, and having a protruding portion for destroying said
diaphragm by pressing force.

5. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
to claim 4, further comprising a liner on the undersurface
10 of both said drug-containing layer and said adhesive layer,
wherein said liner has a concave portion opposed to said
drug-containing layer.

6. An iontophoresis device activated in use comprising:
a support; an electrode disposed on the upper surface of said
15 support; an absorber disposed on said support and said electrode
and formed of a material containing a dry drug and capable
of absorbing a liquid; a wall material disposed around said
absorber on said support, having an adhesive layer on the upper
surface thereof; a liner disposed on said absorber and said
20 adhesive layer, having an opening in the central portion thereof;
a diaphragm disposed on said liner; and a dissolution liquid
reservoir disposed on said diaphragm, retaining a dissolution
liquid for dissolving said drug between said diaphragm and
itself, and having a protruding portion for destroying said
25 diaphragm by pressing force.

7. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to claim 6, further comprising a solution permeable film on the upper surface of said absorber.

8. An iontophoresis device activated in use comprising:
5 a support; an electrode disposed on the upper surface of said support; an absorber disposed on said support and said electrode and formed of a material capable of absorbing a liquid; a wall material disposed around said absorber on said support, having an adhesive layer on the upper surface thereof; a drug-containing
10 layer disposed on said absorber, containing a dry drug; a liner disposed on said drug-containing layer and said adhesive layer, having an opening in the central portion thereof; a diaphragm disposed on said liner; and a dissolution liquid reservoir disposed on said diaphragm, retaining a dissolution liquid
15 for dissolving said drug between said diaphragm and itself, and having a protruding portion for destroying said diaphragm by pressing force.

9. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the dissolution
20 liquid-contacting portion of said diaphragm has an oval form, and that the protruding portion of said dissolution liquid reservoir has a linear apical portion that extends in the longitudinal direction of said oval form.

10. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
25 to claim 9, wherein assuming that the length of said linear apical portion is given by L_1 and the length of the dissolution liquid-contacting portion of said diaphragm in the longitudinal

direction is given by L_2 , the relationship of $0.1 \times L_2 \leq L_1 \leq 0.5 \times L_2$ is satisfied.

11. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the dissolution
5 liquid-contacting portion of said diaphragm has a round form, and that the protruding portion of said dissolution liquid reservoir has cross-shape apical portions.

12. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to claim 10, wherein assuming that the lengths of said cross-shape
10 apical portions are given by L_{10} and L_{11} and the diameter of the dissolution liquid-contacting portion of said diaphragm is given by L_2 , the relationships of $0.1 \times L_2 \leq L_{10} \leq 0.5 \times L_2$ and/or $0.1 \times L_2 \leq L_{11} \leq 0.5 \times L_2$ are satisfied.

13. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
15 to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the peripheral portion of the opening of said support is dented to said absorber side more than the rest of said support.

14. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein said support is inclined
20 so that the opening is closer toward said absorber side than the peripheral portion of said support.

15. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to any one of claims 6 to 8, wherein the peripheral portion of the opening of said liner is dented to said absorber side
25 more than the rest of said liner.

16. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to any one of claims 6 to 8, wherein said liner is inclined

so that the opening is closer toward said absorber side than the peripheral portion of said liner.

17. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to any one of claims 1 to 16, wherein said dissolution liquid
5 reservoir is formed by processing of a sheet material, and in that said sheet material has a water vapor permeability of $0.22 \text{ g/m}^2 \cdot 24 \text{ hr}$ or less.

18. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to claim 17, wherein said sheet material has a thickness between
10 about 250 and about 350 μm .

19. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to claim 17, wherein said sheet material comprises a cyclic polyolefin copolymer film.

20. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
15 to claim 17, wherein said sheet material is a laminated film consisting of a cyclic polyolefin copolymer film and a polyolefin film.

21. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to claim 17, wherein said sheet material comprises a fluorocarbon
20 resin film.

22. The iontophoresis device activated in use according to claim 17, wherein said sheet material is a laminated film consisting of a fluorocarbon resin film and a polyolefin film.

23. The iontophoresis device activated in use according
25 to any one of claims 1 to 22, wherein said diaphragm is an aluminum foil.